

Inspection Report  
February 22, 1978

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Jackpile-Paguate Minesite  
The Anaconda Company  
Laguna Tribal Uranium Leases 1 and 4  
Pueblo of Laguna Indian Reservation  
Valencia County, New Mexico

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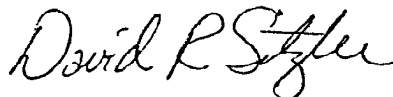
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On February 22, 1978, John Andrews, Dale Jones, Marc Nelson, and David Sitzler of the U.S. Geological Survey office in Albuquerque made an inspection of The Anaconda Company's Jackpile-Paguate open-pit uranium mine. The purpose of this inspection was to examine the open-pit workings and to take photographs of the operation for the Environmental Analysis on the Comprehensive Plan which is currently being written.

On the day of the inspection, stripping operations were being conducted in the South Paguate Pit, mining operations were being conducted in the South Paguate and South Jackpile Pits, and the PW2-PW3 Adit was being collared with the use of an Alpine Continuous Miner. After the inspection of the mining operations, Mr. Christopher Sanchez, Reclamation Engineer with The Anaconda Company, accompanied us on an inspection of the areas where reclamation studies are being or have been made. During this examination, reclamation methods which have been used and possible future methods were discussed.



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